

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Eugenio Cefali, et al.
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Docket Number: 50454-56103USCIP
Title: METHODS FOR TREATING HYPERLIPIDEMIA WITH
INTERMEDIATE RELEASE NICOTINIC ACID
COMPOSITIONS HAVING UNIQUE
BIOPHARMACEUTICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Art Unit: 1615
Examiner: J.M. Spear
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UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.59

Sir:

Applicants respectfully petition the Commissioner to expunge the materials identified on the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement as "subject to protective order" if, after Examiner's consideration, any of the materials are found not to be important in deciding whether to allow the application.

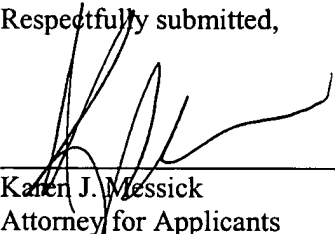
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the petition fee of \$130.00 as set forth in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(g) to Deposit Account No. 50-2543. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional or increased fees, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2543.

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